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Art Unit: 2625
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT

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In response to the non-final Office Action of November 4, 2002, the Applicant submits the following remarks.

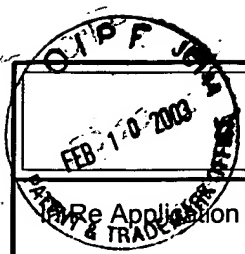
REMARKS

Claims 11-20 are pending in the present application and all stand rejected. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejections based on the following comments.

Claims 11-13, 19, and 20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being clearly anticipated by European Patent Application EP0507743 by Edge. The Applicant traverses this rejection for the following reasons.

With respect to claim 11, the Office Action asserts that Edge discloses features of claim 11 including determining search features from an image sequence and storing the features together with the image sequence. Edge, however, discloses an information storage and retrieval system that includes means for automatically retrieving specific desired passages of an audio or visual recording, as well as means for automatically locating the desired passages of the audio or visual recording. Although Edge discloses that a user can automatically search a verbatim transcription for a word or phrase of interest (See page 2, line 37, which was referenced in the present office action), no teaching or suggestion is given that the ability to search for words or phrases is determined from an image sequence, in contrast to the features of claim 11. More specifically, the disclosure of Edge describes that the disclosed system 10 is intended for use

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